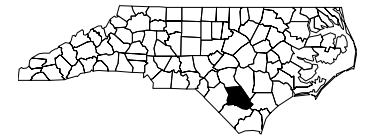


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MSA county designation: Nonmetropolitan

AHEC Region: Southern Regional

■ 2004 ACTIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*■

Physicians

Non-Federal Physicians	23
Primary Care Physicians	19
<i>Family Practice</i>	11
<i>General Practice</i>	2
<i>Internal Medicine</i>	5
<i>Obstetrics/Gynecology</i>	1
<i>Pediatrics</i>	0
Other Specialties	4
Physicians per 10,000 Population	6.9
Primary Care Physicians per 10,000 Population	5.7
Federal Physicians**	0

Dentists and Dental Hygienists

Dentists	5
Dental Hygienists	5

Nurses

Registered Nurses	158
<i>Nurse Practitioners</i>	5
<i>Certified Nurse Midwives</i>	0
Licensed Practical Nurses	83

Other Health Professionals

Chiropractors	2
Optometrists	2
Pharmacists	14
Physical Therapists	3
Physical Therapist Assistants	3
Physician Assistants	7
Podiatrists	0
Practicing Psychologists	1
Psychological Associates	1
Respiratory Therapists	14

■ DEMOGRAPHICS ■

Projected Population 2004

	Total	Ages 0-19	Ages 20-64	Ages 65+
White	19,795	4,708	12,023	3,064
Nonwhite	13,324	4,034	7,643	1,647
Total	33,119	8,742	19,666	4,711
% of Pop.	100.0%	26.4%	59.4%	14.2%

Employment and Income Data

Labor Force 2004	15,471
Employed 2004	14,345
Unemployed 2004	1,126
Unemployment Rate 2004 (%)	7.3
Per Capita Income 2003	\$21,244
Medicaid Eligibles 2003 (unduplicated count)	10,053

■ HEALTH-RELATED STATISTICS ■

Vital Statistics 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Resident Births	443	Total Pregnancies	518	Total Pregnancy Rate	79.9
Resident Deaths	400	Teen Pregnancies (ages 15-19)	83	Teen Pregnancy Rate (ages 15-19)	79.0
% Births <2500 gms	12.9				

Infant Mortality Rates 2003

(Rates are per 1,000 population)

Total	4.5	White	7.0	Nonwhite	0.0
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Hospital/Facility Data

General Hospital Discharges 2003 [†]	4,188	General Hospital Beds 2004 ^{††}	48	Nursing Facility Beds 2004	194
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*Numbers reported include those who are active within the profession and those with unknown activity status who were newly licensed in 2004; inactive are excluded.

* Includes NC Medical Board licensed federal physicians in the armed services, US Public Health Service, Indian Health Service, and the Department of Veterans Affairs.

[†]Counts are for discharges of county residents from acute-care, short-stay hospitals; numbers exclude normal newborns.

^{††}Counts of hospital beds in acute care short stay hospitals in county.